

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 3060 – HB 3491

February 19, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the scope of practice for veterinarians and establishes licensing exemptions for consulting veterinarians who are licensed in another state and do not practice within the state. Codifies the current definition of “veterinarian-client patient relationship” as established by the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. Violations are punishable as a Class B misdemeanor.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant
Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Health, any cost associated with an increase in disciplinary cases can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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